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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINT IN NP  
SUBJECT: LETTER FROM NEPALI CONGRESS LEADER G.P. KOIRALA

REF: A. KATHMANDU 2151, B. NEW DELHI 7091

1. THE EMBASSY RECEIVED A LETTER DATED MAY 23 ADDRESSED TO PRESIDENT CARTER (C/O THE AMBASSADOR) FROM G. P. KOIRALA, YOUNGER BROTHER OF THE FORMER PRIME MINISTER OF NEPAL, B.P. KOIRALA, NOW DETAINED IN NEPAL. G. P. STATES THAT EVERYONE, "ESPECIALLY THE THIRD WORLD, INFESTED WITH AUTHORITARIAN REGIMES OF WHICH THE HIMALAYAN KINGDOM OF NEPAL IS THE ONE", IS WATCHING WITH GREAT INTEREST THE RECENT TREND IN US POLICY. HE BLAMES THE "CONTAINMENT OF COMMUNISM" POLICY OF DULLES FOR HAVING ENCOURAGED THE GROWTH OF PETTY DICTATORS. SINCE PRESIDENT CARTER ASSUMED OFFICE THERE IS " A FRESH LEASE OF LIFE FOR A FREE AND DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY. WE, FERVENTLY, HOPE THAT THE COUSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS, PERSONAL DIGNITY, FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY WILL BE PROTECTED AND PROMOTED UNDER YOUR IDEAL AND DYNAMIC STEWARDSHIP ELSEWHERE." THE WRITER CONCLUDES WITH THE WISH THAT GOD BESTOW ON THE PRESIDENT "ALL THE WISDOM AND STRENGTH IN THIS DIRECTION."

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2. GIVEN THE SENTIMENTS EXPRESSED CONCERNING HUMAN RIGHTS, THE EMBASSY BELIEVES AN ANSWER IS APPROPRIATE, BUT GIVEN THE ACUTE SENSITIVITIES OF THE GON CONCERNING THE KOIRALA CASE, WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT IS IN OUR INTEREST TO ENCOURAGE A FURTHER EXCHANGE OF LETTERS, WHICH MIGHT OCCUR IF KOIRALA'S LETTER WERE ANSWERED FROM THE WHITE HOUSE. ACCORDINGLY, THE EMBASSY PROPOSES TO ANSWER

G.P. KOIRALA AS FOLLOWS:

" YOUR LETTER OF MAY 23, 1977, ADDRESSED TO PRESIDENT CARTER, EXPRESSED KIND WISHES FOR HIS HEALTH AND WELFARE. PLEASE ACCEPT MY SINCER THANKS."  
THIS LETTER WOULD GO OUT OVER THE SIGNATURE OF THE DCM SO AS TO LESSEN THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE NEPALI CONGRESS COULD INVOLVE AMBASSADOR GOHEEN IN THEIR STRUGGLE.

3. ALSO INCLUDED IN THE SAME ENVELOPE WAS ANOTHER LETTER ADDRESSED TO PRESIDENT CARTER FROM G.P. KOIRALA ANNOUNCING THAT PUBLICATION, "TARUN", IS BRINGING OUT A SPECIAL ISSUE ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN NEPAL AND REQUESTING THE PRESIDENT'S "VALUABLE COOPERATION, SUGGESTION AND GOOD WISHES".  
THE LETTER ACCUSES  
THE KING OF TYRANICALLY SURPRESSING HUMAN RIGHTS AND STATES THAT "THE PEOPLE OF NEPAL HAVE HAD TO UNDERGO UNTOLD HUMAN INDIGNITIES, ATROCITIES, TORTURES. . ."  
KOIRALA ASKS THAT RECEIPT OF THE LETTER BE  
ACKNOWLEDGED.

4. SINCE WE PROPOSE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE FIRST LETTER, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THERE IS ANY NEED TO ANSWER THE SECOND. COPIES OF BOTH LETTERS POUCHED TO ADDRESSEES MAY 27.  
PLEASE ADVISE.  
GOHEEN

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